#### IC 4-15-16

Chapter 16. Leave for Bone Marrow or Organ Donation

#### IC 4-15-16-1

#### **Applicability**

- Sec. 1. This chapter applies to an employee of a state agency, including an employee who is a party to:
  - (1) a collective bargaining agreement entered into after June 30, 2002, unless otherwise provided in the collective bargaining agreement; or
  - (2) an employment contract with a state agency entered into after June 30, 2002, unless otherwise provided in the employment contract.

As added by P.L.94-2002, SEC.1.

#### IC 4-15-16-2

#### Inmates excluded

Sec. 2. This chapter does not apply to an inmate placed in the unclassified service under IC 4-15-2-7.

As added by P.L.94-2002, SEC.1.

#### IC 4-15-16-3

#### "Bone marrow" defined

Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "bone marrow" means the soft material that fills human bone cavities.

As added by P.L.94-2002, SEC.1.

#### IC 4-15-16-4

#### "Employee" defined

Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "employee" means a person who is employed full time by a state agency.

As added by P.L.94-2002, SEC.1.

#### IC 4-15-16-5

#### "Organ" defined

Sec. 5. As used in this chapter, "organ" means a lung, a kidney, or another organ that requires the continuous circulation of blood to remain useful for purposes of transplantation.

As added by P.L.94-2002, SEC.1.

#### IC 4-15-16-6

## "State agency" defined

Sec. 6. As used in this chapter, "state agency" means an authority, a board, a branch, a commission, a committee, a department, a division, or another instrumentality of state government. The term does not include the following:

- (1) A state educational institution (as defined in IC 20-12-0.5-1).
- (2) A state elected official's office.
- (3) The legislative and judicial branches of state government.

(4) The state police department. *As added by P.L.94-2002, SEC.1.* 

#### IC 4-15-16-7

# Employee leave for bone marrow donation; verification by physician

Sec. 7. If an employee of a state agency:

- (1) requests a leave of absence from the employee's agency so that the employee may serve as a bone marrow donor; and
- (2) provides the employee's agency with written verification by a physician that the employee is to serve as a bone marrow donor;

the state agency shall grant the employee a leave of absence of not more than five (5) work days, as determined by the attending physician, during which the employee may serve as a bone marrow donor.

As added by P.L.94-2002, SEC.1.

#### IC 4-15-16-8

#### Leave for organ donation; verification by physician

Sec. 8. If an employee of a state agency:

- (1) requests a leave of absence from the employee's agency so that the employee may serve as a human organ donor; and
- (2) provides the employee's agency with written verification by a physician that the employee is to serve as a human organ donor;

the state agency shall grant the employee a leave of absence of not more than thirty (30) work days, as determined by the attending physician, during which the employee may serve as a human organ donor.

As added by P.L.94-2002, SEC.1.

#### IC 4-15-16-9

## Salary during leave; employee service uninterrupted during leave

- Sec. 9. (a) An employee who is granted a leave of absence under this chapter is entitled to receive the employee's regular salary without interruption during the leave of absence.
- (b) A leave of absence granted to an employee under this chapter is in addition to vacation days, sick days, personal days, and compensatory time that the employee accrues.
- (c) An employee's service shall be considered uninterrupted by a leave of absence under this chapter for purposes of determining the following:
  - (1) Seniority.
  - (2) Salary or salary advancement.
  - (3) Performance awards.
  - (4) The receipt of a benefit that may be affected by a leave of absence.

As added by P.L.94-2002, SEC.1.

# IC 4-15-16-10

# Retaliation against employee prohibited

Sec. 10. A state agency may not retaliate against an employee for requesting or obtaining a leave of absence under this chapter. *As added by P.L.94-2002, SEC.1.*